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UM TO HOLD COMMUNITY DAYS IN GREAT FALLS

MISSOULA --

The University of Montana will honor its friends in the Great Falls area Tuesday-Thursday, Sept. 20-22, with several Community Days events.

All UM alumni, Grizzly Athletic Association members, students and other friends of the university are invited to a social gathering at 5:30 p.m. Thursday at the Ponderosa Inn, 220 Central Ave.

Representing UM at the gathering will be Sheila Stearns, vice president for university relations; Don Read, head football coach; Harley Lewis, athletic director; Al Kempfert, GAA director; and Bill Johnston, alumni director.

Selected for special honors at the gathering are Great Falls Community Award winners Frances M. Wylder and James M. Wylder.

Frances Wylder, a retired secretary and teacher, graduated from UM in 1953 with a bachelor of science degree in business. She's a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma; has served on the calling committee for the Excellence Fund; and has given financial support for the Performing Arts and Radio/Television Center, Washington-Grizzly Stadium and Alumni Association.

James Wylder earned a bachelor's degree in history and

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political science at UM in 1951. Past president of the Great Falls Coca-Cola Bottling Co., he's now a free-lance photographer and is on the board of directors of the Eastside Bank of Montana. He also belongs to the Alumni Association and chairs the UM Foundation's budget committee.

Also on Thursday, the UM cheerleaders will give a workshop at Great Falls High School.

On Tuesday UM President James V. Koch will give a luncheon speech to the Great Falls Lions Club, which meets at noon at the Ponderosa Inn. That afternoon he'll speak at Great Falls High School.

On Wednesday Koch will be a guest on KRTV's "The Noon Show," and Johnston will speak at noon to the Kiwanis Club, which meets at the Quality Inn on 10th Avenue South.

UM will celebrate Great Falls Day on campus Saturday, Sept. 24, when the Grizzlies take on the Idaho Vandals. A breakfast for parents of Grizzly football players will be held at 8:30 a.m. in the University Center Ballroom, and the GAA will sponsor a pre-game tailgate party at 11:30 a.m. north of the Field House. The game will begin at 1 p.m. at Washington-Grizzly Stadium.

After the game, the GAA will sponsor the Coaches' Corner at the Village Red Lion Inn, 100 Madison St. UM supporters will have the chance to meet the school's football coaches while enjoying free hors d'oeuvres and a no-host bar.

Great Falls residents may buy two football tickets for the

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price of one by calling the Field House at 243-4051 or 1-800-526-3400. Reserved seats cost \$9.50; general admission costs \$5.50 for students and \$6.50 for adults.

For more information, call Truby Bachman at the Alumni Office: 243-5211.

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